## The County of Centre

## PROCLAMATION

## **NUMBER #17 OF 2013**

WHEREAS, the United Nations was founded in 1945, and the anniversary of the day on which the UN Charter came into force is observed each year on October 24; and

**WHEREAS,** the central role of the United Nations is to promote peace and security, development and human rights around the world, and is vital now more than ever; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations 2015 Millennium Development Goals includes the goal of promoting youth development; and

WHEREAS, one third of the world's population is under age 15 and one half of all people on this planet are 25; and

**WHEREAS**, Sub-Saharan Africa has the youngest population in the world with 70 percent of the population under age 30; and

WHEREAS, youth are increasingly responsible for providing service, care, and leadership in communities where the adult population has been decimated by disease and poverty; and

WHEREAS, 11% of the world's youth are not literate; and

WHEREAS, more than 1.8 million young people ages 15 to 24 die each year due to preventable causes; and

**WHEREAS,** the Centre County Chapter of the United Nations Association and its Council of Organizations have declared Youth Development as a humanitarian concern and chose it as its theme for the 2013 United Nations Day commemoration; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Centre County, Pennsylvania are encouraged to participate in local activities related to United Nation Day and support the Centre County Chapter's projects focusing on promoting youth development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim Thursday, October 24, 2013 as "United Nations Day" in Centre County.

ADOPTED this 15th day of October, 2013.

CENTRE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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